

# 2026 | Experience God's Transforming Love

## @ the Kirk

THIS WEEK – JANUARY 30, 2026

**DID YOU KNOW** Did you know that in the month of December, our Consumers gas bill averaged \$290.27 per day?

*Join Us!*

### MOUNTAINTOPS

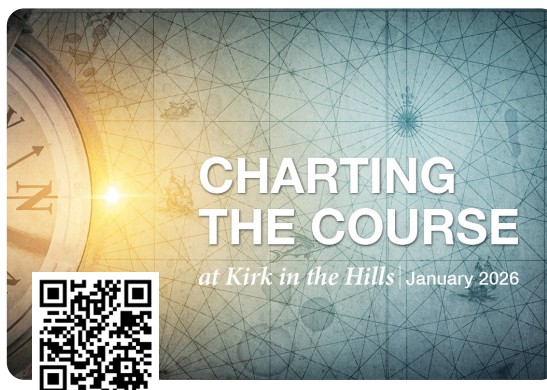
*Sermon Series Schedule:*

February 1 - Isaiah's Vision of God's Holiness in the Temple - *Isaiah 6*

February 8 - Elijah Meets God in Silence on Mount Horeb - *1 Kings 19*

February 15 - The Transfiguration of Jesus - *Matthew 17*

### *Meeting God on the Mountain and Charting the Way Forward*



As we prepare for worship this Sunday at Kirk in the Hills, we continue our mountaintop journey through Scripture with Isaiah's vision of God in the Temple. Wherever you find yourself—deeply rooted in faith, quietly questioning, or returning after time away—you are warmly invited to gather with us.

In Isaiah 6, the prophet encounters the holiness of God and is both humbled and renewed. Grace comes before calling, and the encounter leads to a response that still echoes today: "Here am I; send me." Mountaintop moments like this clarify identity and purpose, reminding us that worship is not an escape from life, but a way of seeing it more clearly.

That same movement—from encounter to calling—shapes our life together as a congregation. As the Kirk looks ahead, we are entering a season of prayerful listening and discernment through **Charting the Course**, a two-year process of congregational listening and leadership development. **Each voice matters** as we reflect on where the Kirk is flourishing and where God may be leading us next. If you have not yet done so, we encourage you to complete the brief, confidential survey shared yesterday (scan the QR code above).

As you prepare for Sunday, make space to listen. Trust that God still calls ordinary people—and faithful communities—into lives of purpose and service.

We look forward to worshipping with you.

### COFFEE HOUR HERITAGE HALL



To keep up-to-date on all the latest Kirk news and events, visit [kirkinthehills.org](http://kirkinthehills.org) and sign up to receive our weekly email.



## Stewardship Campaign Update as of January 30, 2026 - Less Than \$62K to Goal!

Kirk Family, we are so close to our **2026 Stewardship Campaign** goal! We need everyone to help get us across the goal line! Your support is critical! Below is a snapshot of where we are as of January 23, 2026:



- Campaign target: \$1,600,000
- Pledges received to Date: \$1,538,564
- **% of target achieved: 96.2%**
- Number of Pledges Received: 386
- Number of Families who pledged in 2025, but not yet for 2026: 81
- Total number of member families: 896
- Number of new pledges: 39 (from anyone who did not pledge in 2025)

Many thanks to all who have pledged so far to our 2026 Campaign. **We are passed 96% and need less than \$62,000 to reach our goal. And there is still time to participate.** You may pledge by using the pledge card sent to you or by taking one from the pew rack. You may also pledge online, either through our website or via the Realm App. Or make it easy on yourself and call the Kirk Business office during the week. A cheerful person in the office will be happy to take your pledge.

The pastors and the staff of the Kirk are very grateful to each of you who give of your time, talent and treasure. Your commitment helps sustain our ministries, support our staff and programs, and carry forward our mission as a Full Sail Church. **Will you help us get to 100%** of our goal! Scan the QR code above to make your pledge today or call the church office at (248) 626-2515!

## The Windover Piano Duo - February 7!

Join us for an inspiring afternoon concert with **The Windover Piano Duo—Ellen Kendall and Susan Wheatley on Saturday, February 7, at 3:00pm** in the Refectory at Kirk in the Hills. **Featuring Four-Hand Piano Duos: Classics to Cabaret**, the program spans beloved classical and romantic works to lively 20th-century cabaret selections.

All proceeds support the Renew & Resound Campaign, helping rebuild and renew our facilities for worship and community. A suggested donation of \$15 for individuals and \$25 for families is requested.

DINNER CHURCH



## 2026 Lenten Dinner Church Begins!

**Dinner Church will begin on Wednesday, February 25 at 5:30pm in the St. Andrew's Room.** The series will focus on **Christian Art**

**in Italy** beginning with creation, and concluding with the death of Jesus. All are welcome to attend. A \$10 charge to cover the cost of the meal is suggested. Please register by scanning the QR code.

A zoom link will also be available if you are unable to attend in person. Register Today!



Give from  
the heart.

Donate blood and  
help save lives.



## Blood Drive

**Monday, February 2, 2026  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

### Kirk in the Hills

Heritage Hall (Undercroft)  
1340 W. Long Lake Road  
Bloomfield Hills



Scan to be directed to  
RapidPass®



Scan to schedule  
an appointment.

**Come give blood 1/26-2/28 for a \$20 e-gift card to your choice of merchant. See [rcblood.org/heart](http://rcblood.org/heart)**

## Kirk in the Hills Preschool



*"Rooted And Grounded In  
God's Love" for Over 40 Years.*

High Quality Preschool  
Programs Offered at the Kirk: Non-Profit  
(Kirk Members receive priority consideration)

- 2 ½- year-old class: 2 days a week .
- 3-year-old class: 3 or 5 days a week
- 4-year-old class: 5 days a week
- Multi-Aged: 5 days a week (older 4's and young 5's)
- Parent and Toddler class: Fall and Winter sessions

**Registration for 2026-2027  
Starts Now - CALL TODAY!**



Please contact our office at  
248-973-8017 or email Sandy Jewell at:  
[sjewell@kirkinthehills.org](mailto:sjewell@kirkinthehills.org).

## Join Us! Bill Robinson Bible Study

Join us on Sundays at 10:10am -11:00am  
in the Upper Room (in-person or by zoom).  
For more info, please contact  
Ed Yousif at [eyousif@gmail.com](mailto:eyousif@gmail.com).



## Children, Youth & Family (CYF) Updates

The Children, Youth, and Family ministry invites you to remember the upcoming dates:



### FIRST PRIORITY REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Children's Ministry is excited to announce **Vacation Bible School 2026**, happening **June 14–18** at Kirk in the Hills! VBS is a joyful week of faith formation, music, learning, and fun for children, and space is limited to 125 participants.

**As previously stated, registration will open in phases to ensure priority access for our community:**

**First Priority Registration** for Kirk families (preschool and church members) opens **today - just scan the QR code to register.**

**Second Priority Registration** for returning VBS families opens **February 6 at noon**

**Open Registration begins February 13**

**The cost is \$100** for the full week.



Families are encouraged to plan ahead and register early, as spots fill quickly. For questions or additional information, please contact Lauren Clopton at [lclopton@kirkinthehills.org](mailto:lclopton@kirkinthehills.org).

## Join Us on March 1 for Family Bread Baking! Register Today!



Join us to bake bread with your friends and family in the Refectory Kitchen on Sunday, **March 1st at 10:00am.**

We will have fun mixing ingredients, kneading dough, and talking through seeds of faith, yeast, and the benefits of shared faith (like breaking bread together). Kids will do a scavenger hunt and we might climb the tower. **Scan the QR Code to Register Today!**

## Kirk Seniors Luncheon | February 17, 2026



### KIRK SENIORS LUNCHEON

*"Restoration Stories of Detroit & More"*  
The Jewish Schvitz  
Dakota Inn Rathskeller  
The Purple Gang  
to name a few...

Guest Speaker: **Paddy Lynch**  
Licensed Funeral Director

**February 17, 2026**

Register by:  
Thursday, February 12, 2026



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## Join Us! Fem Lavi Detroit - Stories of Impact on February 28

On **Saturday, February 28**, Seeds to Sustainability will host its 3rd Annual Fem Lavi – Stories of Impact at Kirk in the Hills. Fem Lavi ("Farm of Life") highlights agricultural programs in Haiti that empower families through livestock, seeds, and education—bringing hope and transformation to communities in need. **Tickets are \$25**; all are welcome.



## Calling All Women! Join the Women of the Kirk Galentine's Gathering - February 6

**Date: Friday**

**February 6, 6:30pm**

**Location: St. Andrew's Room**

**Details:** Get ready for a fun evening for the Women of the Kirk. Following our successful Friendsgiving event this past November, we are kicking off 2026 with "A Galentine's Event."

**Questions, please contact:**

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Mercy Adams - [madams@kirkinthehills.org](mailto:madams@kirkinthehills.org)

## Baptisms

Interested in having your child or grandchild baptized at the Kirk? For more info, contact Jen Morris via email at [jmorris@kirkinthehills.org](mailto:jmorris@kirkinthehills.org) or via phone at (248) 973 - 8011.

# COMING UP THIS WEEK

Join Us! Get Involved!

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## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

### Youth Group

### SpringHill Retreat

- 8:00am Communion Service  
Cedarholm Chapel
- 9:00am Worship Service -  
Sanctuary
- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Coffee Hour -  
Heritage Hall
- 10:00am Stephen Minister Private  
Prayer - Melrose Chapel
- 10:10am Bill Robinson Bible Study  
- Upper Room
- 10:15am St. Cecilia Choir Rehearsal  
- Abbey 33
- 10:15am Joyful Noise Choir  
- Abbey 26
- 11:00am Worship Service -Sanctuary
- 11:00am Cantamus Choir Rehearsal  
- Abbey 33
- 12:00pm Stephen Minister Private  
Prayer
- 12:00pm After Service Sanctuary  
Tour
- 12:15pm O & M Retreat

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- 12:00pm Blood Drive - Heritage Hall
- 6:30pm APNC Meeting - Abbey 36

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- 9:30am Prayer Cordon - Upper  
Room
- 9:30am Sandwich Ministry -  
Welcome Center
- 2:00pm Kirk Senior Steering  
Committee - Abbey 29
- 3:30pm Congregational Care -  
Upper Room
- 5:30pm Personnel Meeting -  
Upper Room
- 7:00pm Strategy Committee -  
Upper Room

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 10:00am Pastors Bible Study -  
Upper Room
- 1:00pm Trinity Stitchers -  
Abbey 27
- 5:00pm Stephen Minister Training -  
Abbey 36

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

No Activities

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 9:30am Woman's Thursday  
Morning Bible Study -  
Upper Room
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal -  
Choir Room

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 7:00am MOK Bible Study
- 9:30am Books & Bibles -  
Upper Room
- 6:30pm Women of the Kirk -  
Galentine's Day

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 7:30am Saturday Morning Bible  
Study (Zoom Only)
- 3:00pm Piano Four-Hand Duo  
Concert
- 5:00pm Post-Piano Concert  
Reception

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 8:00am Communion Service  
Cedarholm Chapel
- 9:00am Worship Service -  
Sanctuary
- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Coffee Hour -  
Heritage Hall
- 10:00am Stephen Minister Private  
Prayer - Melrose Chapel
- 10:10am Bill Robinson Bible Study  
- Upper Room
- 10:15am Confirmation Class
- 10:15am St. Cecilia Choir Rehearsal  
- Abbey 33
- 10:15am Joyful Noise Choir  
- Abbey 26
- 11:00am Worship Service -Sanctuary
- 11:00am Cantamus Choir Rehearsal  
- Abbey 33
- 12:00pm Stephen Minister Private  
Prayer
- 12:00pm After Service Sanctuary  
Tour
- 1:00pm Youth Action Board
- 5:30pm Youth Group

## Kirk in the Hills Inclement Weather Policy Reminder:

When the Bloomfield Hills school district cancels classes due to inclement or unsafe weather, the Kirk is closed to all outside meetings and activities until noon. All scheduled programming can be moved online, postponed, or canceled at the discretion of the group leader. By noon, a decision will be made as to whether to open the building for events scheduled in the afternoon and evening. Please check for updates on the church website and Facebook. A list of schools that have closed is readily available online.

In addition, we have been notified by the snow removal service that there is a salt shortage, so the sidewalks and drive may not be completely cleared at times. We encourage everyone to use their discretion when determining if it is safe to be on the road and prioritize their well-being.

## 2026 Offering Envelopes in the Fireside Room - Pick Yours Up Today!

If you requested offering **envelopes for 2026, they will be in the Fireside Room**, arranged alphabetically by last name.

If you don't find offering envelopes for your name and you would like to use offering envelopes this coming year, please contact the business office.

